



Old Stone Fort Archaeological Society

November 2015

The Old Stone Fort Archaeological Society will meet **Thursday, November 12th at 6:00 pm** at the Old Stone Fort Museum in Manchester, Tennessee. The purpose of this Society is to learn more about prehistoric Native American cultures and the early historic period of Tennessee. Our meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month and are **free** and open to the public. Our program this month:

Mark Norton
who will present

Paleoindian Archaeology at the Carson-Conn-Short Site

John Broster and I have conducted archaeological investigations at the Paleoindian age Carson-Conn-Site, 40BN190 in Benton County since 1992. During this time frame we piece plotted a large number of the artifacts we discovered- creating a point provenience map. This map provides some insights to the various activities taking place at this locale. This presentation is a preliminary look at data that will be presented at the upcoming Southeastern Archaeological Conference to be held in Nashville, November 18-21, 2015.

Thanks to Dr. Ryan Parish for his presentation on Chert Resources in Tennessee at the October Knap-In.
See you next Thursday, Mark

Southeastern Archaeological Conference

**72nd Annual Meeting in Nashville, TN
November 18-21, 2015**

<http://www.southeasternarchaeology.org/annual-meeting/details/>

Program

http://www.southeasternarchaeology.org/wp-content/uploads/SEAC2015_PreliminaryProgram_092815.pdf

Doubletree by Hilton – Downtown Nashville

Information: Mark Norton 615-741-1588, ext.113

Old Stone Fort State Park – 931-723-5073

<http://state.tn.us/environment/parks/OldStoneFort/>

Tennessee Archaeology Network – Online Journal

<http://frank.mtsu.edu/~kesmith/TNARCH/index.html>

Tennessee Division of Archaeology - Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/TNArchaeology>

McClung Museum

Maya: Lords of Time –Jan 23, 2016-May 22, 2016

<http://mcclungmuseum.utk.edu/exhibits/maya-lords-of-time/>

Mid-TN Gem and Mineral Society

35th Annual Earth Treasures Show – Dec 12-13, 2015

<http://mtgms.org/show.htm>



Tennessee State Museum

**Ancient Native American Sculptures of Tennessee
Now Open - Through – May 15, 2016**

Now Open

Ancestors will showcase a Pre-Columbian stone statuary tradition that was found primarily between the Tennessee and Cumberland Rivers. The Statues were often found in ancestral pairs, each containing a male and female. All have long been separated since their discovery, and most have been taken far outside the state. The exhibit, which will reunite some of the pairs, will include many which have never been shown. The exhibit will feature a male sculpture considered to be among the greatest pieces of ancestral Native American art found in the United States. At 19" high, he has made way onto numerous covers of books and magazines, and is included on a U.S. postage stamp for the Art of the American Indian series. In 2014, this statue officially became recognized as the State Artifact. He will join his female mate, which has been graciously loaned by John C. Waggoner, Jr. of Carthage, Tennessee. They were discovered at the Sellars Farm State Archaeological Area in Wilson County, Tennessee, which was once a Native American village from the Mississippian period occupied approximately 700 to 1,000 years ago.

The 28 stone sculptures in this exhibit represent the largest group of Tennessee-Cumberland style statuary, including 14 from the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C., two from the Metropolitan Museum of Art of New York City, two from the McClung Museum, five from the State Museum's collection, and five that are held in private collections.

http://www.tnmuseum.org/custpage.cfm/frm/0/sec_id/187664